M/s. Pepsi Foods Private Limited is that the project shall export 50% of its total turnover each year for a period of 10 years from commencement of commercial production of which 40% will be from the company's own manufactured products and 10% from Select List products manufactured by others.

This export obligation is required to be fulfilled by M/s. Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd.

निर्वाचन विधि

*59. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या विधि और न्याय मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या हाल ही में संपन्न विधानसभा चुनावों के दौरान निष्पक्ष तथा न्यायपूर्ण मतदान कराने में प्रशासन को पेश आई अड़चनों को देखते हुए सरकार द्वारा निर्वाचन संबंधी वर्तमान नियमों में संशोधन किए जाने का प्रस्ताव है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

इस्पात और खान मंत्री, साथ में विधि और न्याय मंत्रालय का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री दिनेश गोस्वामी): (क) और (ख) जी हां। सरकार न केवल विद्यमान नियमों का बल्कि सुसंगत अधिनियमों और संविधान का भी संशोधन करके, विस्तृत निर्वाचन सुधार करना चाहती हैं। प्रधान मंत्री ने इस प्रयोजन के लिए 9 जनवरी, 1990 को एक सर्वदलीय सम्मेलन आयोजित किया था। इस सम्मेलन में दिए गए सुझावों के अनुसरण में, एक समिति जिसमें विभिन्न राजनीतिक दलों के प्रतिनिधि और इस विषय के कुछ अन्य विद्वान व्यक्ति हैं, 19 जनवरी, 1990 को नियुक्त की गई है। यह समिति इस विषय से संबंधित विभिन्न प्रस्तावों पर विचार-विमर्श कर रही है।

Removal of Anomaly in the Pay Scale of Assistants

*60. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the case relating to removal of anomaly in the pay scales of Assistants is under Government's consideration ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ; and

(c) by when orders for the grant of pay scale of Rs. 1640-2900 effective from 1st January, 1986 to the Assistants are likely to be issued ?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE) : (a) to (c) The representations regarding revision of pay scale of Assistants from Rs. 1400-2600 to Rs. 1640-2900 are under consideration of the Government and final decision in this regard are expected to be taken soon.

Banning political parties and candidates with religious and sectarian appeal from contesting elections

278. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in order to separate religion from politics Government propose to ban all political parties and candidates with religious and sectarian appeal from contesting elections ; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) : (a) No,

Sir. There is no such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

कर-अपवंचन के सम्बन्ध में आयकर विभाग को प्राप्त हुई शिकायतें

279. श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक : क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान संघ-राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली में आयकर अपवंचन के संबंध में आयकर विभाग को कितनी शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं ?

वित्त मंत्री (प्रो० मधुदण्डवते): आयकर की चोरी के आरोपों के सम्बन्ध में सरकार को विविध स्तरों पर प्राप्त होने वाली शिकायतों पर मुख्यतया आयकर विभाग के जाँच-स्कंध द्वारा कार्यवाही की जाती है। 1987–88, 1988–89 तथा 1989–90 (दिनांक 28 फरवरी, 1990 तक) के वित्त वर्षों के दौरान आयकर निदेशक (जांच), दिल्ली को कर की चोरी के बारे में 2628 याचिकाएं प्राप्त हुई थीं।

Increase in the Equity of Pepsi Project

280. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have approved the increase in Equity from Rs. 9 crore to Rs. 25 crore in respect of Pepsi Cola Project as per the newsitem in the Business Standard dated the 16th February 1990;

(b) if so what is the justification for such a steep increase in project cost especially when fruit processing has been dropped;

(c) how does Pepsi Project's tomato processing compare with the Nijjar Farm's tie with Punjab Agro proposal for tomato processing; and

(d) whether it is a fact that Nijjar Farms has been exporting tomato seeds to U.S.A.; if so where from Pepsi Foods got the tomato seeds for the Punjab farmers?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) There are no indications that *Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd. have dropped* fruit processing. The reasons given by M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation for increasing project cost were as follows:—

(1) The project profile has been substantially enhanced and significantly higher investments are proposed in the core areas of fruit/vegetable and grain processing.

(2) The investments in fixed assets such as land, equipment plant and machinery and supporting infrastructural and ancillary facilities would be at higher levels.

(3) Since 1986 when the project was mooted inflationary pressures have increased the cost substantially.

(4) As part of the export programme they have proposed additional investment in product development.

(5) There has been significant devaluation of Indian rupee which would also substantially inflat the project cost in rupee terms.

(c) The cost of Pepsi for tomato processing project has been indicated as Rs. 16.54 crores whereas the project of Nijjar Farm's tie with Punjab Agro for tomato processing is estimated to cost Rs. 10.74 crores.